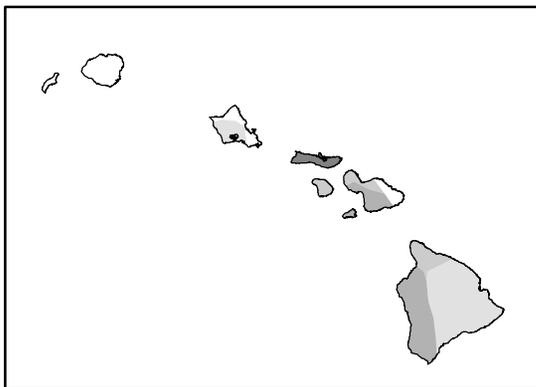
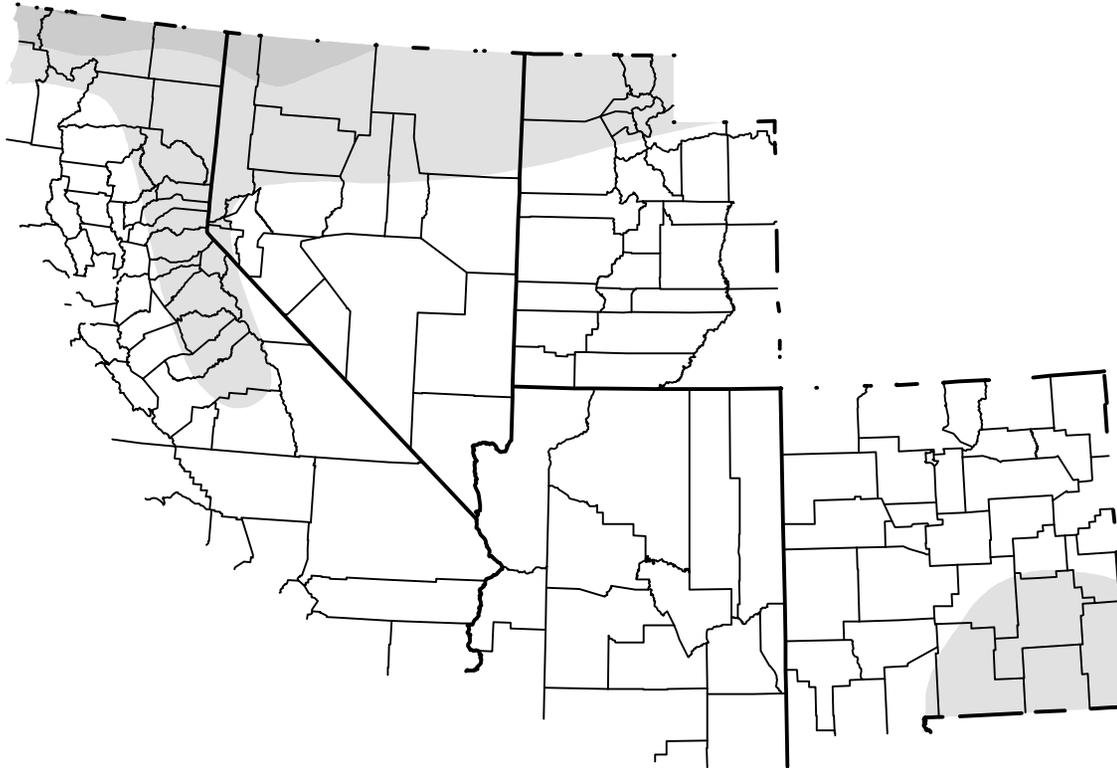


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southwest Climate Hub

**March 27, 2001**  
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 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|  | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 77.53 | 22.47 | 2.56  | 0.34  | 0.04  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>03-22-2001</i>              | 77.53 | 22.47 | 2.56  | 0.34  | 0.04  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-28-2000</i>           | 91.93 | 8.07  | 1.30  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-04-2001</i> | 83.72 | 16.28 | 1.30  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-28-2000</i>    | 38.83 | 61.17 | 25.82 | 7.12  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-30-2000</i>           | 77.15 | 22.85 | 10.04 | 2.20  | 0.00  | 0.00 |

***Intensity:***



*The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.*

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